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1. In early February 1953 the Chinese Communist Revolutionary Military Council (RMC) authorized a three-year program for the construction and repair of permanent barracks in order to meet the expanded requirements of the national defense army. During 1953 the RMC planned to construct and repair a total of 120 permanent barracks,¹ including barracks whose construction began in 1952. The 1953 program was expected to cost JMP 150 billion in providing housing for 500,000 field army troops.
2. During 1953, permanent barracks were to be constructed or repaired at each of the following locations:
 - a. North China Area: Peiping, Tientsin, Fengt'ai (N 39-51, E 116-17), Ch'anghsintien (N 39-49, E 116-12), Paoting (N 38-52, E 115-29), Shihchiachuang (N 38-02, E 114-28), Kalgan (N 40-50, E 114-55), Kueisui (N 40-47, E 111-37), Tat'ung (N 40-06, E 113-14), T'aiyuan (N 37-52, E 112-35).
 - b. Northwest Area: Tihua (N 43-48, E 87-36), Sulo (N 39-24, E 76-09), Hotien (N 37-07, E 79-56), Shawan (N 44-41, E 85-30), Hami (N 42-48, E 93-27), Chiuch'uan (N 39-46, E 98-33) Yushu (N 33-01, E 96-52), Lanchou (N 36-03, E 103-41), T'ienshui (N 34-36, E 105-28), Wangchu,² Sian (N 34-16, E 108-54), T'ungkuan (N 34-40, E 110-09), Paochi (N 34-16, E 106-58), Nancheng (N 32-05, E 107-04), Yinching'uan (N 36- , E 109-), Hsining (N 36-37, E 101-49).
 - c. Northeast Area: unknown.
 - d. East China Area: Tsingtao, Tsinan, Tehsien (N 37-27, E 116-17), Hsuchou (N 34-18, E 117-16), Yent'ai (N 37-32, E 121-24), Huaiyin (N 33-35, E 119-05), Nanking, Changchou³, Shanghai, Chiahsing (N 30-46,

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E 120-45), Hangchow, Wenchou (N 28-01, E 120-38), Ch'uchou (N 28-57, E 118-52), Foochow, Chienou (N 27-04, E 118-19), Nanping (N 26-39, E 118-08), Changchou, Pangfou (N 32-57, E 117-26), Hofei (N 31-54, E 117-18), Anch'ing (N 30-31, E 117-02), Wuhu (N 31-21, E 118-23).

- e. Central and South China Area: Loyang (N 34-40, E 112-26), K'aifeng (N 34-48, E 114-21), Hsinyang (N 32-09, E 114-08), Chenghsien (N 34-54, E 113-40), Wuhan area, Yueyang (N 29-28, E 113-12), Ich'ang (N 30-42, E 111-17), Ch'angsha, Hengyang (N 26-56, E 112-35), Shangjao (N 28-26, E 117-54), Nanch'ang (N 28-40, E 115-53), Chiuchiang (N 29-43, E 116-03), Shaoyang (N 27-15, E 111-23), Kankien (N 25-52, E 114-54), Swatow, Canton, Ch'uchiang (N 26-23, E 111-35), Kueilin, Nanning, Lungchou (N 22-22, E 106-56), Paise (N 23-55, E 106-34)..
- f. Southwest Area: Kueiyang, Weining (N 26-52, E 104-12), Tushan (N 25-50 E 107-32), Chungking, Ch'engtu, Miencyang (N 31-29, E 104-46), Nanch'ung (N 30-48, E 106-04), Lukien (N 28-53, E 105-23), Chienko (N 32-02, E 105-29), Yachou (N 30-00, E 103-02), K'angting (N 30-03, E 102-02), Kantzu (N 31-38, E 99-59), Ch'angtu (N 31-10, E 97-07), K'unming, T'engch'ung (N 25-01, E 98-29), Hsiangyun (N 25-28, E 100-33).

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 Comments

1. Probably barracks areas, posts, or stations, are meant, rather than buildings, in view of the large number of troops to be housed and the magnitude of the expected cost. The unknown locations in Northeast China added to the 84 locations mentioned in paragraph 2 could possibly approximate 120.
2. Possibly Wangch'uchen (N 34-03, E 108-56).
3. Probably Wuchin (N 31-46, E 119-58) and Lungchi (N 24-43, E 117-44) are intended.

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